

## House Resolution No. 3370

**Whereas**, as the 2007-2008 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

**Whereas**, the Scott City R-I School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 21, 2008, with the retirement of Rita Keele who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

**Whereas**, Rita Keele has served as a Speech Language Pathologist for twenty-six years at Scott City R-I, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

**Whereas**, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Rita Keele taught in the Scott County R-III and North Pemiscot R-I school districts prior to assuming her responsibilities with Scott City R-I; and

**Whereas**, Rita Keele has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

**Whereas**, Rita Keele, who earned a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree at Southeast Missouri State University, has supported her profession as a member of the American Speech and Hearing Association, and the Missouri state Teachers Association; and

**Whereas**, Rita Keele has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Steven Keele; one son and daughter-in-law, Lee and Kim Schlitt; one daughter, Annah Keele; one step-daughter, Stephanie Byars; and two grandsons, Gavin and Keaton Byars:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Scott City R-I School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Rita Keele has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Rita Keele, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Steve Hodges  
District No. 161

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3370, adopted June 5, 2008.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rod Jetton, Speaker